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First Named
Inventor : Harry W. Schmidt et al.

Appln. No.: 09/803,721

Filed : March 9, 2001

For : VIAL HANDLING SYSTEM WITH
IMPROVED VIAL GRIPPER

Docket No.: T268.12-0041

Group Art Unit:1743

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS
OF APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.53(f) AND 1.16(e)**

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PATENT ATTORNEY

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted dated April 20, 2001, Applicant encloses the following documents to complete the above-identified patent application filed March 9, 2001:

1. Our check in the amount of \$840.00 (to cover the filing fee \$710.00 and surcharge fee of \$130.00).
2. Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by the inventor(s).
3. Fee Calculation Sheet (duplicate).
4. Notice to File Missing Parts of Application-Filing Date Granted.

The Director is authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1123. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,
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FEE TRANSMITTAL



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METHOD OF PAYMENT (Check One)

FEE CALCULATION (Continued)

1. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and 1.17, including any petition fee, and credit any over payments to Deposit Account No. 23-1123.
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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Fee	Small Entity Fee	Large Entity Fee	Small Entity Fee	Fee Description
Code	(\$)	Code	(\$)	
101	710	201	355	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Utility Filing Fee
106	320	206	160	<input type="checkbox"/> Design Filing Fee
108	710	208	355	<input type="checkbox"/> Reissue Filing Fee
114	150	214	75	<input type="checkbox"/> Prov. Filing Fee
Subtotal (1) \$ 710				

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Number Claims	Prior**	Extra	Fee from Below	Fee Paid
Total	20	20	0	18 0
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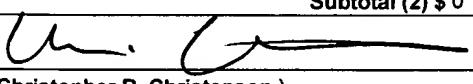
Multiple Dependent Claims

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Large Entity Fee	Small Entity Fee	Large Entity Fee	Small Entity Fee	Description
Code	(\$)	Code	(\$)	
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	80	202	40	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	270	204	135	Multiple Dependent Claims
109	80	209	40	Reissue Independent Claims over Original Patent
110	18	210	9	Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
Subtotal (2) \$ 0				

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Fee	Small Entity Fee	Fee Description	Fee Paid
Code	(\$)	Code	(\$)
105	130	205	65 Surcharge - Late filing fee or oath
127	50	227	25 Surcharge - Late provisional Filing Fee or cover sheet
139	130	139	130 Non-English specification
147	2,520	147	2,520 For Filing a Request for Reexamination
115	110	215	55 Extension for reply within first month
116	390	216	195 Extension for reply within second month
117	890	217	445 Extension for reply within third month
118	1,390	218	695 Extension for reply within fourth month
128	1,890	280	945 Extension for reply within fifth month
120	310	220	155 Filing a brief in support of an appeal
121	270	221	135 Request for oral hearing
148	110	248	55 Terminal Disclaimer Fee
140	110	240	55 Petition to Revive - unavoidable
141	1,240	241	620 Petition to Revive - unintentional
142	1,270	242	650 Utility/Reissue issue fee (inc. advance copies)
143	470	243	250 Design issue fee (inc. advance copies)
122	130	122	130 Petitions to the Commissioner
123	50	123	50 Petitions related to provisional applications
126	180	126	180 Submission of Information Disclosure Statement
581	40	581	40 Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)
Other Fee (specify) _____			
Subtotal (3) \$130			

Signature 
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 840.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:

- drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.

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